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Collective investigation as to prevalence of epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis.

On account of the reported prevalence of cerebro-spinal meningitis in a number of States and localities, the Bureau of Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service is endeavoring to collect statistics as to the prevalence of this disease since July 1, 1904. It has also been determined to include this in the regular list of diseases which are reported weekly by municipal health authorities (new Form 8960).

The following circular letter has therefore been addressed to the secretaries of State boards of health and to municipal health officers:

(Circular Letter.)

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
PUBLIC HEALTH AND MARINE-HOSPITAL SERVICE,
Washington, March 16, 1905.

Health Officer or Secretary Board of Health.

SIR: You are requested to furnish this Bureau information concerning cerebro-spinal meningitis as follows:

1. The number of cases and deaths by months which have occurred during the period from July 1, 1904, to April 1, 1905, in the territory under your jurisdiction.

2. You are requested to make weekly reports hereafter of cases and deaths from cerebro-spinal meningitis on blank form 133 (new No. 8960), a supply of which you already have, writing the words cerebro-spinal meningitis in place of Asiatic cholera on the blank form.

Respectfully,

WALTER WYMAN,
Surgeon-General.